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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the nonfinal Office Action mailed April 4, 2006, Applicants submit the following amendment and response.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 12 of this paper and include attached replacement sheets.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.